

IN THE CLAIMS:

1-12. (Cancelled)

13. (Original) A method of sending packets to a multiplicity of subscribers in a multicast subscription system, the method comprising:
monitoring the activity at a NACK server.

14. (Original) A method according to claim 13 and wherein said monitoring includes determining whether or not there are attentive subscribers from the activity at said NACK server.

15. (Original) A method according to claim 13 and also comprising disturbing the flow of data between said sender and said subscribers.

16. (Original) A method according to claim 15 and wherein said disturbing comprises altering the sent and pending queues.

17. (Original) A method according to claim 15 and wherein said disturbing comprises placing a packet in said sent queue which was never transmitted.

18. (Original) A method according to claim 15 and wherein said disturbing comprises altering the packet sequence number.

19. (Original) A method according to claim 15 and wherein said disturbing comprises incrementing the sequence number relative to the sequence of packets that actually need to be sent.

20. (Original) A method of sending packets to a multiplicity of subscribers in a multicast subscription system, the method comprising:
disturbing the flow of data between said sender and said subscribers.

21. (Original) A method according to claim 20 and wherein said disturbing comprises altering the sent and pending queues.

22. (Original) A method according to claim 20 and wherein said disturbing comprises placing a packet in said sent queue which was never transmitted.
23. (Original) A method according to claim 20 and wherein said disturbing comprises altering the packet sequence number.
24. (Original) A method according to claim 20 and wherein said disturbing comprises incrementing the sequence number relative to the sequence of packets that actually need to be sent.
25. (Original) A method of sending packets to a multiplicity of subscribers in a multicast subscription system, the method comprising:
 - having packets in a sent queue which were never in a pending queue.

26-40. (Canceled)